

Holy Ascension Armenian Church



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1981 Report - Assembly 1982

In 1981, the Parish Council of the Holy Ascension Church had a total of eleven meetings, at which time the needs of the church were discussed and accomplished.

Also, combined meetings with the Building Committee, the 50th Anniversary Committee and Bazaar Committee were held to arrange the various demands.

During 1981, the following affairs were organized by the Parish Council:

St. Vartan's Day on March 11th

Armenian Martyrs' Day on April 26th

The Church Name Day on May 31st, at which time the Primate consecrated the new altar, ordained Harand Arakelian as Subdeacon, and blessed the Choir Members. An elaborate 50th year celebration with a special banquet followed the church services.

Also, the annual church picnic was held on August 16th.

On November 13, 14, and 15, the Annual Mt. Ararat Bazaar was held with Der Hayr acting as co-ordinator.

A detailed report of this successful affair will be given in a separate report.

During this past year, it gave us great satisfaction to see our youth group reorganized and officially became the ACYOA, and has become an active and vital part of our church under the capable leadership of Lisa Tunjian, who is their Advisor. I would like to say the Parish Council has supported them in their endeavors and will continue to do so in the future.

After three years of satisfactory and devoted service, Peter and Agnes Kapusuzian resigned their duties as caretakers of the church and moved out of the parish house. We wish them good health and good luck in their new home.

At the present time, the Parish house is rented by a family who has also taken on the duties and the responsibilities as caretaker.

The church hall is rented regularly by the Nursery School as well as by the Lutheran Church. A detailed financial report of these rentals will be given by our treasurer.

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During the past year, most of the small repairs and the painting were done by the members of the Parish Council and some dedicated volunteers, in order to save money.

Ladies and gentlemen, upon completion of my duty as chairman of your Parish Council, I would like to express my sincere thanks to Der Levon for his help and advice. Also my appreciation to the Parish Council members for their constant support and cooperation. And finally, my gratitude to all the auxillaries, special committees, individuals, and especially to Yeretzkin Grace for faithful service and continued devotion.

God bless you all.

Respectfully Submitted


Dr. Berdj Harabedian
Chairman, Parish Council

Post Script:

I am happy and proud to announce that after all expenses were met, the Parish Council is presenting a check for \$ 5000.00 to the Building Committee, to be used toward our mortgage payments.